

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 935 - HB 1273

February 21, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a Class A misdemeanor for leaving a firearm or firearm ammunition in a motor vehicle or boat that is unattended, if the firearm is not locked within the trunk, glovebox, or interior or in a container securely affixed. Establishes such an offense is punishable only by a fine of not less than \$500.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Current Tennessee law does not require a gun owner to file a police report if their gun is lost or stolen. It can be reasonably estimated that people will choose to forego reporting their firearms stolen from their vehicle or will not incriminate themselves by admitting that it was not properly secured as to the provisions of this legislation to avoid prosecution and fines.
- Violation of the proposed offense is punishable only by fine of not less than \$500.
- There will not be a sufficient number of Class A misdemeanor prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bojan Savic".

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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